(b) 449 bridges are under construction in replacement of the old bridges. Zone-wise break-up is given below :—

Railway	No. of Bridges
Central	72
Eastern	96
Northern	16
North Eastern	13
Northeast Frontier	46
Southern	48
South Central	95
South Eastern	27
Western	36
TOTAL :	449

Division-wise information is being collected and will be laid on the Table o1 the House.

Bridges being built as part of new mines doublings and gauge conversion projects art a part of the respective projects and their number varies from time to time.

(c) Precise number of bridges to be taken for construction in replacement of old ones is decided from year to year on the basis of annual survey and inspec tion. Their number for last three years as follows :

1989-90	....	482
1990-91	....	332
1991-92	....	325

(d) No parties have been awarded contracts by the Member Engineering. Contracts are awarded on the basis of lowest bidders among whose bids are valid and are adjudged competent by the Tender Committees to carry out the work on the basis of their capability and financial status.

(e) Does not arise.

Track Electrification in the Railways

1086. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the zone-wise details of the tracks electrified during the Seventh Five Year Plan and the target of electrification fixed for the Eighth Five Year Plan ;

(b) the names of the parties and the amounts paid to them during the Seventh Plan for electrification ;

(c) whether it is a fact that the Member (Electrical) after accepting heavy commissions awarded works to companies which were black-listed and awarded works to L-1I instead of L-I parties ; and

(d) if so, whether Government propose to investigate the matter and if so, by when, if not, what are the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) and (b) A statement is attached. *{See* below).

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Statement

(a) (i)

Zonal Railways	Section	Route Kms.
1. Central	Dholpur-Gwalior-Itarsi, Nagpur-Wardha-Balharshah and Bhusawal-Badnera.	983
2. Eastern	Chandrapura Complex	39
3. Northern	Tundla-Yamuna Bridge	18
4. Southern	Katpadi-Jolarpettai-Morapur	140
5. South Central	Balharshah-Vijayawada and Krishna Canal-Guntur-Tenali	505
6. South Eastern	Chandrapura Complex, Champa-Gevra Road, Koraput-Damanjodi and Durg-Paniajob	239
7. Western	Godhra-Mathura, Nagda-Palsora Makarwan and Bayana-Yamuna Bridge	888
	TOTAL FOR VII Plan :	2,812

(ii) Target for electrification fixed for the Eighth Plan .... 3500 kkma.

S. No.	Name of the Party
1	M/s Tata Exports, Bombay.
2	M/s BEST & Crompton, Madras.
3	M/s K.E.C. International, Bombay.
4	M/s Dodsal, Bombay.
5	M/s Chowgle, Bombay.
6	M/s S.A.E., Delhi.
7	M/s L & T, Madras.
8	M/s E.C.E., Madras.
9	M/s IRCON, New Delhi.
10	M/s Crompton Greaves, Madras,
11	M/s Vinay International Power Project, New Delhi.
12	M/s NELCO, Bombay.
13	M/s Fasteners, Bharatpur.
14	M/s Rajesh Industries, Vijayawada.
15	M/s A.B.B., Bangalore.
16	M/s Kalindee Rail Nirman Engineers, Jaipur.
17	M/s Krafters Engg. & Leading Pvt. Ltd., Bombay.
18	M/s Averest Railway Construction Co., Ahmedabad.
19	M/s Kamlesh Rail Signalling, Ahmedabad.
20	M/s Sundaran Claysion Ltd., Bombay.
21	M/s Soniru Engg. Pvt. Ltd., Bombay.
22	M/s Vijayavargi & Sons, Nagpur.
23	M/s Texon Telecom. Engineers, Mhow (M.P.)
24	M/s Simens Ltd., Bombay.
25	M/s Rukamangnathan, Madras.
26	M/s Archna Construction, Jolarpettai.
27	M/s Kalidas Railway Construction Co., Madras.
28	M/s Metro Electric Construction Co., Vadodra.
29	M/s D.C.M. Data Products, New Delhi.
30	M/s Vijaya Construction Co., Bangalore.
31	M/s Emrald Construction Co., Vadodra.
32	M/s Shiv Shakti Construction, Madras.
33	M/s M.M. Construction Co., Arkonam.
33A	Sundary Parties.
34	M/s JIT Co., Overseas, New Delhi.
35	M/s Trans Asia Works Co., New Delhi.
36	M/s Telecom Construction India Pvt., Ltd.
37	M/s D.D. Agarwal Construction Co., Bhopal.
38	M/s Raunaq International Ltd., Bombay.
39	M/s Electrotechnic, Berlin.
40	M/s B.H.E.L., New Delhi.
41	M/s Sterlite Industries Ltd., Madras.
42	M/s Jayashree Industries, Baroda.
43	M/s W.S. Industries, Madras.
44	M/s Laxmi Pocelain Ltd., Hydrabad
45	M/s H.C.L., New. Delhi.

S. No.	Name of the Party
46	M/s Finolex, Pune.
47	M/s Energo Invest, Yugoslavia.
48	M/s K.W.R., West Germany.
49	M/s Victor Cables, Bombay.
50	M/s Jugoelectric, Yugoslavia.
51	M/s Invest Imports, Yugoslavia.
52	M/s ALIND, Kerala.
53	M/s Engineering International, Tokyo.
54	M/s Marline Gerin, France.
55	M/s Mitsui & Co., Japan.
56	M/s B.E.M.L., Bangalore.
57	M/s Modern Insulators, Abu Road.
58	M/s Rotunda Ltd., England.
59	M/s C. Itoh & Co., New Delhi.
60	M/s Anu Vidyut, Roorkee.
61	M/s W.H. Kuster, West Germany.
62	M/s Westinghouse Signal Ltd., England.
63	M/s Field & Grant, U.K.
64	M/s Hindustan Brown Boveri, Baroda.
65	M/s G.E.C., New Delhi.
66	M/s C.G.L., Bombay.
67	M/s Insulator & Electricals Co., New Delhi.
68	M/s Hindustan Cables, Burdwan.
69	M/s Ispat Profiles Ltd., Pune.
70	M/s Astro-Med Incorporation, U.S.A.
71	M/s Karnataka Tele. Cables, Mysore.
72	M/s Telelink Nico Ltd., Calcutta.
73	M/s UPCOM Cable Ltd. Bareily.
74	M/s Delton Cables, New Delhi.
75	M/s Gonella, Itally.
76	M/s Vijai Electricals, Hyderabad.
77	M/s Oblum Electricals Ltd., Hyderabad.
78	M/s Belfour Beatty, U.K.

(b) (ii) Total amount paid to the parties during Seventh Plan. =Rs. 556.41 crores.

Contractorship of Pantry Awarded to Private Individuals

1087. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) what are the names of the trains in which contractorship of pantry have been awarded to private individuals ; and

(b) what are the details in this regard including the annual rates thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) : (a) A statement is attached. *(See* below).

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(b) A decision has been taken that the catering services on the Railways including pantry car should be privatised and licences for managing these services given to experienced professional caterers in a phased manner after following the prescribed procedure and guidelines.

Licence fee is fixed/revised taking into iiccount factors like importance of units, sales, number of meals served during the journey etc. The licence fee, therefore, varies from train to train and reviewed periodically,